

Hamilton County Commissioners' Meeting
P.O. Box 1167
Syracuse, KS 67878
Meeting Place - Commissioner Room
Hamilton County Courthouse
June 23, 2015
8:30 a.m.

Keith A. Puckett, Chairman
John Simon, Vice-Chairman
Randall C. Braddock, Commissioner
Michael W. Lewis, Commissioner
Nikki Schwerdfeger, Commissioner
Rob Gale, Attorney
Angie Moser, County Clerk

Commissioner Puckett called the Meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with all Commissioners present.

AGENDA: Commissioner Lewis moved to approve the Agenda as presented. Commissioner Schwerdfeger seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

PRIOR MINUTES: Commissioner Lewis moved to approve the June 16, 2015 Commissioner Meeting Minutes as presented. Commissioner Braddock seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC CONCERNS: Commissioner Lewis discussed his concerns regarding the Legislature blunder with the July, 2015 date on the property tax cap.

LIBRARY: Joyce Armstrong, Hamilton County Library Director, and Amy Brucker, Library Teen Services Director, presented the Library's 2016 budget. Ms. Armstrong also reviewed her account balances with the Commissioners.

LANDMARK: Tom Fuhrman and Terry Lawhon of Landmark Appraisal, and Tom Scott, Hamilton County Appraiser, met with the Commissioners and discussed the County's assessed valuation of oil & gas, real estate, and personal property. They also presented a new 2015-2016 Real Estate Contract for Appraisal Maintenance in the amount of \$59,195.00. Commissioner Braddock moved to renew Landmark Appraisal's Real Estate Contract for 2015-2016 in the amount of \$59,150.00. Commissioner Simon seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved. Mr. Scott also presented the Appraiser's 2016 budget request.

ALAN HANSON: Mr. Hanson, Hamilton County EMS Director, presented his department's 2016 budget. He also advised he is looking into a grant for a power lift stretcher.

KERSTIN MITCHELL: Ms. Mitchell, Rural Operations Secretary, presented the Road Department and Wildlife Control Department 2016 Budgets. Ms. Mitchell also presented a Right of Way Permit she received from Wheatland Electric to place a primary 4G Electric line across County Road P. Commissioner Lewis moved to approve the Right of Way Permit for Wheatland Electric to place a primary 4G Electric line across County Road P. Commissioner Braddock seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

VIP Center: Janet Weis, VIP Board Member, presented the VIP's 2016 Budget request. Ms. Weis informed the VIP Center is holding a fund raiser Pie and Ice Cream Social on July 9th from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

SHERIFF: Richard Garza, Hamilton County Sheriff, presented his department's 2016 budget request. He also informed that the Kansas Highway Patrol trades or sells their patrol vehicles when they reach 50,000 miles, and that he will be purchasing one of their vehicles within the next month.

SYAA: Dustin Doze, SYAA Board Member, presented the Youth Activities 2016 Budget request. He informed due to the little league field being relocated with the construction at the school, they purchased a portable mound in order for little league to be able to play on the softball fields this year.

GOLF COURSE: Rick Mathias, Golf Course Board Member, and Tom Simpson, Tamarisk Golf Course Director, presented the Golf Course's 2016 budget request.

JIM KENNEDY: Mr. Kennedy with Kennedy & McKee, presented the County's December 31, 2014 Audit Report. Mr. Kennedy stated the audit did not find any non-compliance issues.

5-YEAR PLAN: The 5-year plan was reviewed.

ROAD PROJECT LIST: The Road Project List was reviewed.

ROAD COMMITTEE REPORT: Commissioner Braddock reported that the crew is mowing and spraying and also working at the gravel pit.

COUNTY ATTORNEY BUDGET: Rob Gale, Hamilton County Attorney, presented his department's 2016 Budget request.

WARRANTS: After review and discussion, Commissioner Simon moved to approve the Warrants in the amount of \$13,448.24. Commissioner Braddock seconded the Motion and it was unanimously approved.

HOSPITAL NO-FUND WARRANTS: None.

COMMISSIONER REPORT: Commissioner Puckett reported the concrete and brick work at the Donahue Building is complete and it looks great. Commissioner Lewis informed the County's SW Kansas Local Environmental Planning Group 2016 participation will be \$2,500.00.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

As there was no more business to come before the meeting, Commissioner Lewis moved for adjournment. Commissioner Braddock seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

County Clerk

Commissioner

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